

AMENDMENT

In the Specification:

Kindly amend the specification, as follows:

A' Page 1, line 4, after "This application" insert ~~is~~ a  
divisional application of co-pending, commonly assigned  
Application Serial No. 09/550,643 filed April 14, 2000, which is  
a divisional application of co-pending, commonly assigned  
Application Serial No. 08/882,396 filed July 10, 1997, which ~~is~~

In the Claims:

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Please cancel claims 1-24 and 29-52, without prejudice.

Please add the following new claims:

1 --60. (New) A method for determining systematic time delays  
2 in the writing of trigger patterns on a storage medium of a  
3 storage device, said method comprising:

4 taking a plurality of measurements of at least one  
5 trigger pattern at a plurality of radial positions; and

6 using said plurality of measurements to determine at  
7 least one systematic time delay.--

1 --61. (New) The method of claim 60, wherein said at least  
2 one systematic time delay is at least one off-track time shift  
3 estimate.--

1 3 --62. (New) The method of claim 60, further comprising  
2 using said at least one systematic time delay to write one or  
3 more trigger patterns on said storage medium.--